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GREEN POOLS = MOSQUITOS

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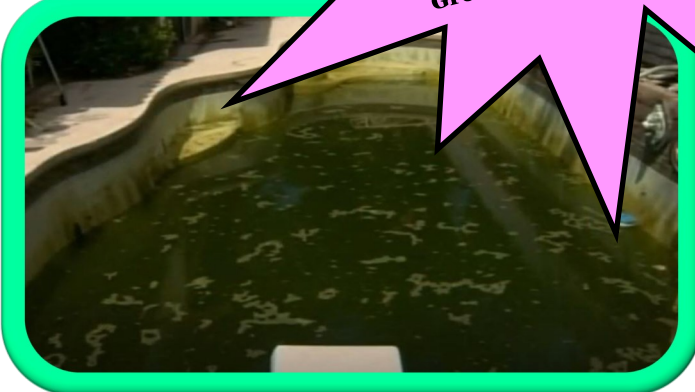
Warmer and wetter weather conditions lead to an increase in mosquitos in our valley. Mosquitos thrive best in temperatures above 70° and we all know that in Clark County it is easily well above 70°. Clark County Code Enforcement, CCCE, works hard every year to help reduce the number of mosquito breeding by acting fast when a complaint of a green pool is reported. Draining green pools helps to eliminate a highly potential breeding place for Mosquitos; however, don't be mistaken, as little as a thimble full of standing water is enough to harbor mosquito larvae.

When Clark County Code Enforcement receives a complaint of a green pool it is our priority to respond immediately. Once the green pool is verified, a notice of Imminent Danger is served and the green pool is drained.

11.08.020 - Notice and Declaration of Imminent Danger.

(a) In order to the public health and safety of the residents of the county, whenever three or more members of a danger determination committee meet and determine that a structure or condition is imminently dangerous, except as provided in subsection (c) below, the committee may order the owner of real property within the county to secure such structure or condition and use reasonable means to secure such structure or condition if the owner fails to do so.

Clark County Code Enforcement
Responded to
62
Green Pool Complaints this Quarter



Mosquito larvae, called "wigglers," are aquatic, with a large head and thorax and narrow, wormlike abdomen; they typically hang just below the water surface, breathing air through tubes at the end of the abdomen. When disturbed, they wriggle downward.

PIGEON'S, PIGEON'S & MORE PIGEON'S

On May 19, 2021, Clark County Animal Control was called to assist the City of North Las Vegas with the removal of over 100 pigeons from inside a residence. Always willing to lend a hand when needed, the Animal Control officers geared up with their overalls and respirators. Upon entering the house, it was immediately recognized that this house was a health hazard. Dealing with the intense smell and heat, all pigeons were safely removed and released outside.

Three human diseases, histoplasmosis, cryptococcosis and psittacosis are linked to pigeon droppings. A fungus that grows in bird droppings and soil causes histoplasmosis, a disease that affects the lungs.



**Animal Control Officers Responded to
35**

Pigeon Complaints this Quarter



CCC 10.36.035 Pigeon Control

- (a) The roosting or lingering of wild pigeons poses a health and property hazard in addition to offending the aesthetic senses by pigeon contamination. Such roosting or lingering of wild pigeons is declared to be a public nuisance.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to encourage the lingering, roosting and/or congregating of wild pigeons by providing food—including but not limited to, grain seeds, greens, bread crumbs and miscellaneous food scraps—intended for wild pigeon ingestion on public or residential property.

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Congratulations to Clark County Animal Control Officer Luis Narro for being named the Employee of the Quarter. Officer Narro joined the team when he moved from the city of El Paso, where he was an Animal Control Officer for four years. Luis truly enjoys his job, as he feels that he is "putting in his grain of sand with helping animals and educating people."

During his off time, Luis, enjoys going to concerts, sporting events and reading, while his hobbies include traveling and doing puzzles. When asked what his favorite food is, he said that he loves sushi and Italian food; If he could share a meal with any three people, dead or alive, he advised that it would be Frank Sinatra, so he could hear all about Las Vegas in the early days; Tim Duncan, as he is one of the best basketball players of all time, who just did his job and didn't want any special attention; and Bono, because he is one of the best artists, a great humanitarian and an overall good person.

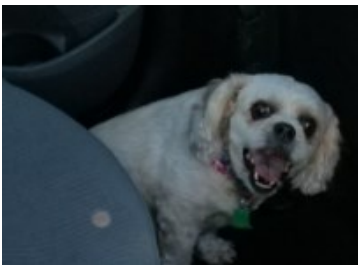
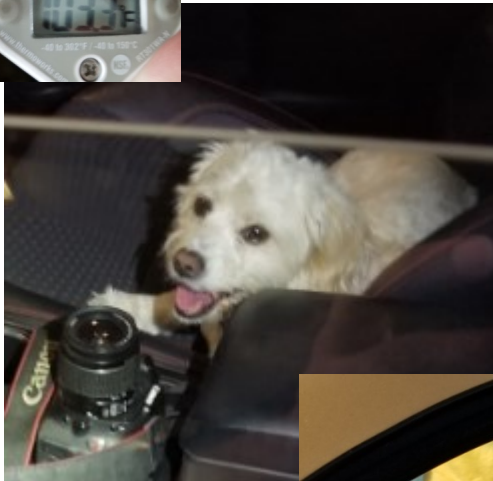


Thank you Officer Narro for the amazing job that you do for Clark County!



HEAT STROKE IS NO JOKE

Tragedy can strike before you know it, especially when it comes to leaving pets in vehicles. When Clark County Animal Control responds to a cruelty call for vehicle confinement, there are a number of things that they must take into account, and quickly. Some of the circumstances that they immediately look for are, is the car running? Has water been left in the car? What time of day is it? And how long has the animal been in the car? What the temperature inside the vehicle is? These are all extremely important as it could be life or death for the animal. For Clark County Animal Control, the well being of the animal takes first priority. Knowing that the animal is not in immediate danger, the Officer will document the scene with pictures of the animal in the vehicle, pictures of the temperature inside of the vehicle and whether there are empty bowls for water or food. Officers will break a vehicle window if necessary to remove the animal, at the owners expense. All animals that are impounded are taken to The Animal Foundation to be reclaimed and waiting for the owner will be an Administrative Citation for violation of Clark County Code 10.32.060. No one should take this chance with their animal, not only can the situation quickly be tragic, it can be costly as well.



Animal Control Officers Responded to 204 Vehicle Confinement calls this Quarter

CAR TEMPERATURE DOG SAFETY CHART

Running into the store for "just a minute" can be fatal for a dog left in the car!

IF IT'S THIS HOT OUTSIDE:	IT ONLY TAKES THIS LONG:	TO REACH THIS INSIDE:
75°	10 Min.	100°
75°	30 Min.	120°
85°	5 Min.	90°
85°	7-8 Min.	100°
100°	15 Min.	140°

DON'T LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR THIS SUMMER!



10.32.060 - Vehicle confinement.

No person having charge or custody of an animal, as owner or otherwise, or having dominion or control over a motor vehicle, as owner or otherwise, shall place or confine an animal or allow an animal to be placed or confined or to remain in a motor vehicle under such conditions or for such period of time as may endanger the health or well-being of such animal due to heat, cold, lack of food or drink, or such other circumstances as may be reasonably expected to cause suffering, disability or death.

10.32.070 - Vehicle confinement—Rescue.

(A) Any animal control officer, firefighter, paramedic, or police officer in the county who finds an animal in a motor vehicle under such conditions as may endanger the health or well-being of such animal due to heat, cold, lack of food or drink or such other circumstances as may be reasonably expected to cause suffering, disability or death is authorized to use reasonable force to remove the animal from the vehicle.

FERAL ANGEL

On April 30, 2021, Clark County Animal Control received a call for a kitten that was stuck in a drain pipe. Upon arrival, the Animal Control Officer was met by the person reporting to show them the location of the drain pipe. The Officer was unable to see the kitten but could hear it. Calling for assistance, the two Officers were finally able to see the kitten and attempted to remove the kitten. Because of the position of the pipe, and that the kitten was approximately six feet down, it seemed that a portion of its body was horizontal underground.

The Officers knew there was no way off getting the kitten out of the drain unless some of the concrete rock blocking the drain was removed. The kitten was given food and water until the officers returned. The Officers returned later and were able to remove the concrete rock blocking the entrance to the drain, unfortunately, the kitty seemed non responsive, taking shallow breaths. Immediate medical attention was sought, sadly the kitten did not make it. RIP Feral Angel.



Officers working hard for the rescue!

POORWILL

On May 18, 2021, a good Samaritan brought this little Poorwill to the Clark County Administrative Office thinking it was a baby owl that was unable to fly. Poorwill's are often mistaken for owls but they, along with Frogmouths and Nighthawks belong to the family of Nightjars and are nocturnal. After ensuring that there was no injury to the Poorwill and that its wings were performing normally it was kept in the Administrative Office until a night officer was able to release him once it was dark.



Poorwill Cool Facts

- ◆ The Hopi name for poorwill is *hölchoko*, "the sleeping one," which indicates an awareness of the species' use of torpor. Scientists studying this species in winter have been astonished to learn that they lower their body temperature to 41° Fahrenheit and reduce their oxygen consumption by more than 90%.
- ◆ In addition to coping with cold, Common Poorwills must also find relief during extreme heat, which they do through panting (opening the mouth and often fluttering the throat muscles) and through releasing water through the skin.
- ◆ Common Poorwills have a "pectinated claw"—a toenail with comb-like serrations—that they use for scratching and for straightening out their feathers, including their rictal bristles, which are stiff, hairlike feathers around the mouth that help them sense prey and probably funnel it into the mouth.



ALL IN A DAYS WORK

Running at Large Cow

In late May, LVMPD advised that there was a large Bull last seen on Betty Lane where a woman had been charged by the bull and suffered a fractured arm. When the Animal Control Officer arrived, it was advised that a man attempted to lasso the cow; however when the cow was approached it became fractious and eventually broke free. Working together, the Officer and bystanders were able to use their vehicles to create a barrier and got three ropes around the cow. Animal Control Officers were

able to keep the cow subdued and safely loaded the cow into the stock trailer and transported for a Health & Welfare check. The cow has since been adopted and is securely living a healthy life.

**Baby Bird Rescue**

When Animal Control received a call to respond to what was said to be several Goslings in a metal storm drain it was known that time was of the essence. Upon arrival, the Animal Control Officer located two adult birds chirping near the storm drain. After removing the manhole two baby birds were spotted, one sadly was already deceased. Happily, the other baby bird was rescued and reunited with its family.

**10 Ft. Snake**

Animal Control was called to meet with LVMPD to impound a family cat whose owner had passed away. While the cat was easy to capture and impound, what wasn't as easy were the two very large snakes that were also left in the home. One of the snakes was an Albino Boa Constrictor measuring approximately 7 1/2 feet and the other was a Red Tail Boa Constrictor measuring approximately 10 feet. Thank you to Vanessa from The Animal Foundation who was eager to help our officer unload the large snakes.

**Baby Hawk**

When Animal control was called to report that a baby hawk had fallen from its nest, we were keeping our fingers crossed that the officer would be able to locate it. Luckily, the officer was able to quickly find the baby hawk and safely transport it to the Animal Foundation. Today the hawk is with the Havasu Wildlife Rehab Center. All is well with the baby hawk!!



2nd QUARTER ANIMAL CONTROL STATISTICS

**Animals
Impounded
1,833**

**Health
&
Welfare
388**

**Calls Handled
by Officers
in the Field
6,757**

**Total
Sterilizations
2,967**

**Misdemeanor
Citations
Processed
159**

**Administrative
Citations Issued
156**

**Stray Animals
610**

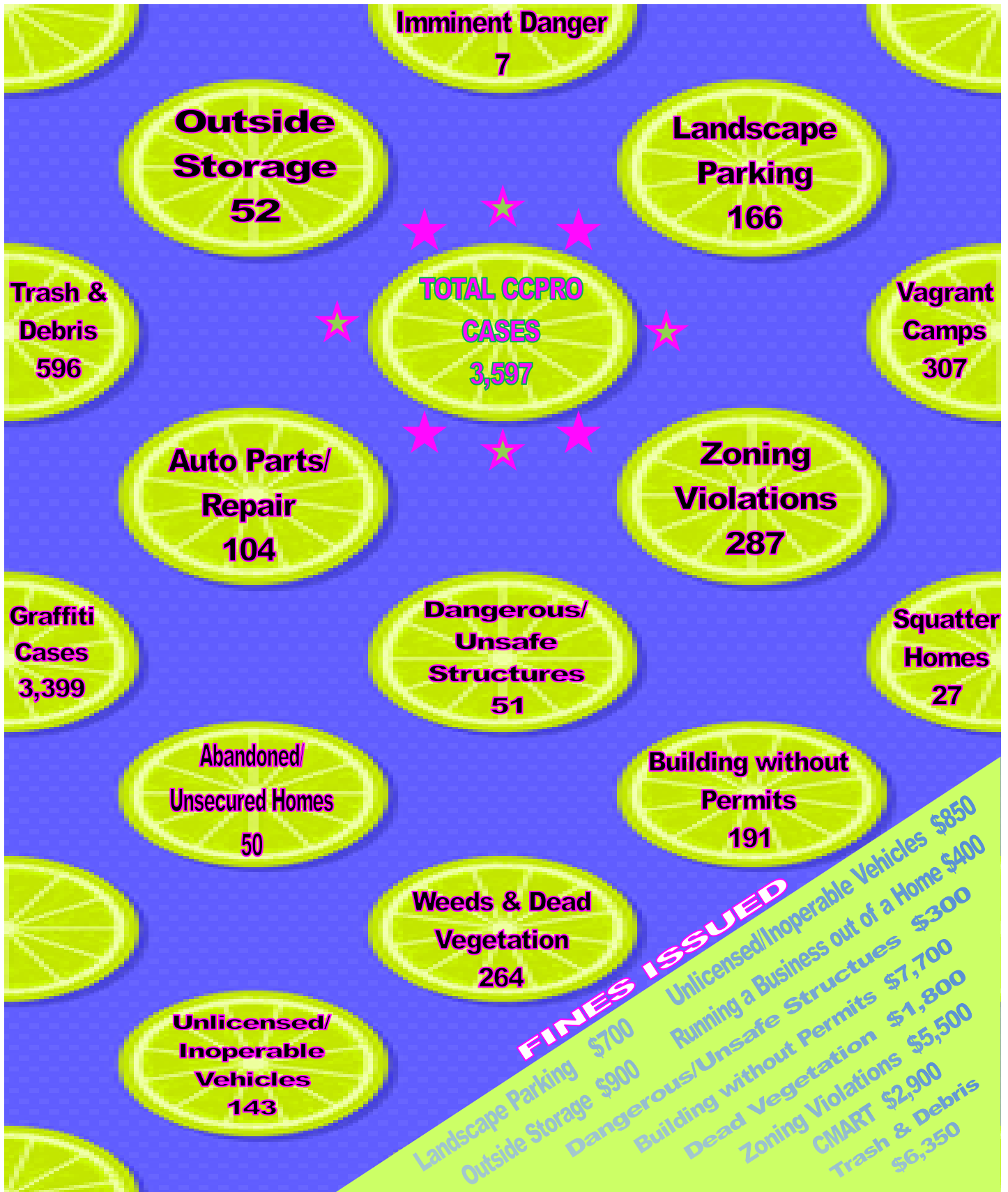
**Bite Reports
Investigated
339**

**Request for
Prosecution
Submitted
6**

**Calls Received
by Dispatch
23,993**

**Vehicle
Confinement
204**

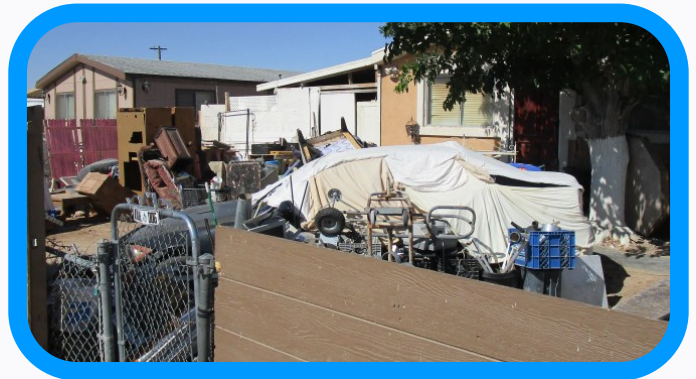
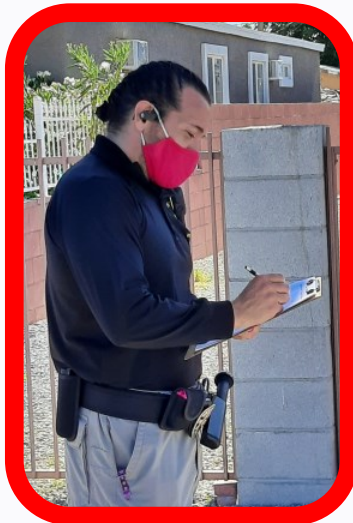
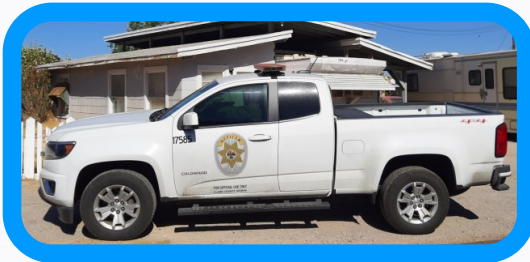
2nd QUARTER PUBLIC RESPONSE STATISTICS



COMMUNITY MULTI AGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

The Community Multi Agency Response Team, CMART, consists of departments such as Clark County Code Enforcement, Building, Business License, Air Quality, Fire Prevention and Commissioner Liaisons. Also in attendance can be LVMPD Area commands, Southern Nevada Health District and State Manufactured Housing. The purpose of this team is to meet on a monthly basis to focus on large areas of our community that have properties that are unsafe, unclean and are riddled with violations. Together, a date is selected for the agencies to conduct inspections.

On June 10, 2021, over 300 Code Enforcement cases were opened while assisting Commissioner Kirkpatrick with the District B clean up project. Ten Code Enforcement Officers were assigned to specific streets in the area to pass out the CMART flyer, notifying the residents of the event date. During the CMART, District B clean up event, the officers found a wide variety of violations from weeds, solid waste, outside storage, inoperable vehicles, occupied RV's, landscape parking, set back violations, and non-permitted structures to name just a few. Clark County Code Enforcement issued 30 day notices to help the residents get into compliance and to give time to get rid of unwanted items. This event has been a huge success.

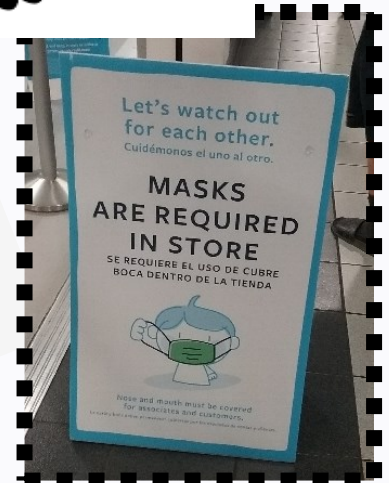
**CMART**

COVID 19 UPDATE

Job well done!

Between July 6, 2020 and May 8, 2021 Clark County Code Enforcement conducted over 35,000 business inspections as part of the Covid 19 business compliance mandate. In an effort to reduce the spread of infection in our community, Code Enforcement joined forces with Clark County Business License to complete the required number of business checks that the State of Nevada mandated. The Code Enforcement office was tasked with inspecting shopping areas with high volumes of people, such as Town Square, The South Outlet Mall, Arroyo Shopping Center, the Downtown Summerlin Outdoor mall, the Forum shops, the shops at

Mandalay Bay, the Venetian Shops, the Miracle Mile shops, the Fashion Show mall as well as the Boulevard mall. The task was taxing on the department, with all of the continual code violations that are ongoing; however, knowing that anything that could be done to help curb the number of Covid 19 cases could help bring back our troubling economy; thus it became one of the divisions top priorities. Daily inspections were made to help educate businesses and patrons and to help encourage social distancing and the importance of wearing face masks. All violations that were observed were reported back to the Business License Department. The presence of the Code Enforcement officers was an effective strategy as many warnings were issued and businesses and patrons were eager to comply. The officers were crucial to putting our community back on track and the division is extremely appreciative of their efforts. Another job well done!



GOODBYE VAGRANT CAMP

Just as soon as one vagrant camp is removed it seems that another will pop up. Clark County Code Enforcement makes it a priority to get the camps cleaned up as quickly as possible.

In April 2021 a seizure warrant for abatement of property was granted and a date was set to abate what was a terrible vagrant camp.

Upon the initial inspection of a complaint filed for a homeless camp, the officers observed massive amounts of junk, trash and debris throughout the empty lot. A neighbor approached the officer advising that the squatters were dumping human excrement into a pit and lighting it on fire with gasoline at night. Immediately, the officer spoke to those squatters on property and advised that they were trespassing and that they needed to remove themselves right away. On April 14, 2021, the seizure warrant was served and posted on the property, while Northeast Area Command COP and contractors were onsite to assist. There were six individuals still living on property and were told that the property was being abated and they needed to remove all of their belongings and leave the

property. Seventeen junk vehicles, four recreation vehicles and two additional vehicles that had been reported stolen were removed from the property. After all vehicles and the excessive amount of junk, trash and debris was removed, the property was secured with fencing. The property was lien in the amount of \$6,888.00.

Before

After

PERMITS REQUIRED

There are many hazards that are associated with illegal signs, banners and advertisement flags. Some of the more frequent hazards are obstructed views along the public right of way. Have you ever pulled up to an intersection and have not been able to see oncoming traffic? This happens far too often when signs are illegally put in places not permitted. When the Code Enforcement Assistant receives a complaint for an illegal sign, they will go to the location, take pictures and immediately notify the owner of the sign and the property owner of the violation and request removal. Luckily, in most cases, the sign is removed before the next inspection is due. Should the sign not be removed, an Administrative citation for violation of Clark County Code 30.72.070 is issued.

Sign Permits. Sign permits shall be required for all temporary for sale or lease signs, except for non-commercial signs, temporary signs whose total area is sixteen (16) sq. ft. or less, and temporary construction signs painted onto temporary construction fences. An application for a sign permit for the construction, placement or installation of a new sign or modification of an existing sign shall be filed with the Building Official on forms so provided.

Violations. Whenever a temporary sign is found to be in violation of the provisions of this Title, the Clark County Code or of any other ordinance or law, the County shall order that such sign be brought in compliance with the provisions of the this Title, the Clark County Code or of any other ordinance or law. The order may require the alteration, repair, reconstruction, demolition, relocation or removal as may be appropriate. Any work required to be done shall, unless a different time is specified, be completed within ten (10) days of the date of such order.

CCPRO
responded to
247
Sign Complaints
this Quarter



EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Congratulations to Officer Rob Pollom who was named the Code Enforcement Employee of the Quarter. Nominated by his fellow employees for the hard work, dedication and kindness that he brings to Clark County each day. Rob continues to go above and beyond in his position of Code Enforcement Specialist.

Great Job Rob!!!



With everyday that passes the Code Enforcement Unit is Thankful and Grateful to Clark County.

In an effort to keep up good spirits, we try to find ways to celebrate all that we have and to appreciate the little things.

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Happy
50th
Birthday



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Code Enforcement

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&
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